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Greenfield and Tapestry Team Up on New Sharps Container Initiative

GREENFIELD – The Greenfield Health Department and Tapestry are pleased to announce a new initiative to bring four (4) additional sharps containers to the City of Greenfield. Misplaced sharps can cause infection or injury when not disposed of properly - please be sure to do everything you can to protect yourself, your community, your families, your friends, and your environment and use sharps containers.

The new sharps container sites will be at the following locations in the city:

- Green River Park
- Energy Park
- Hillside Park
- Greenfield Fire Station Parking Lot

Tapestry CEO Cheryl Zoll stated, "We know that access to safe syringe disposal is essential for the well-being and safety of our communities. This collaboration with Greenfield Health Department allows us to increase access to safe, secure disposal in four areas throughout the City of Greenfield. Our hope for this initiative is to continue to provide education about safer syringe disposal and continue to see an increase in syringes being disposed of properly."

According to Mayor Roxann Wedegarter, "We know using sharps containers helps to reduce the risk of injury and infection but it is also important element for harm reduction in our community. I am grateful for this new partnership between our Health Department and Tapestry – thank you to Greenfield Health Department Director Jennifer Hoffman and Tapestry's Director of Harm Reduction Programs Liz Whynott for making this happen in Greenfield."



Tapestry currently offers mobile syringe access and disposal via a delivery and pick-up service in the City of Greenfield. To arrange mobile services please call or text (413) 221-7722 to coordinate directly with a member of Tapestry's Harm Reduction team (these services are free and confidential).

For more information on this program, please feel free to contact the Greenfield Health Department at 413-772-1404 or visit www.greenfield-ma.gov.

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